

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 2408 - HB 2570

February 23, 2012

SUMMARY OF BILL: Specifies that the willful failure of a controlled substance dispenser to report information to the controlled substance database as required under the Controlled Substance Monitoring Act of 2002 constitutes a criminal offense punishable as a Class C misdemeanor for the first offense, a Class B misdemeanor for the second offense, and a Class A misdemeanor for the third and subsequent offenses

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- There will not be a sufficient number of misdemeanor prosecutions for local governments to experience any significant increase in revenue or expenditures.
- A likely increase in the number of law enforcement requests relative to the criminal act created under the bill to the Board of Pharmacy or other health related boards licensing health care practitioners who have the authority to prescribe controlled substances. This will not result in a significant fiscal impact to the affected boards.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-3-1011, all health-related boards are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. As of June 30, 2011, the Division of Health-Related Boards had a cumulative balance of \$10,859,982.82.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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